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# ANTHROPOCENE, CAPITALOCENE & THE FLIGHT FROM WORLD HISTORY: DIALECTICAL UNIVERSALISM & THE GEOGRAPHIES OF CLASS POWER IN THE CAPITALIST WORLD-ECOLOGY, 1492-2022

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The roots of Cheap Nature and its double register – economic exploitation

and geocultural domination – are found in modern imperialism. Imperialism is the bourgeoisie’s preferred mode of class formation because it more readily brings to bear the military and juridical power of states, who must pursue “cheap” class formation to pay the bankers and create good business environments. Imperialism doesn’t happen for free. It’s financed by bankers, not taxes – which go to paying the bankers in a horrific alchemy of world money, world power, and world nature (Patel & Moore 2017; Arrighi 1994; Antonacci 2021). It is a procedure of domination aimed at advancing the rate of profit and resolving the problem of surplus capital endemic to capitalism.

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